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### 2014 Author Book Signing Series

We Have a Great Line-Up for You

**Atlanta, GA-** We are starting our 2014 Author Book Signing Series this month and we have some wonderful authors for you to meet. Once again, we are pleased to team up with the Georgia Center for the Book and ACappella Books. *Unless otherwise noted, the readings are free and open to the public and will be held in the Carter Museum Theater beginning at 7pm.* Here's a list of what we have lined up so far.

#### Wednesday, January 22nd.....Ishmael Beah...Radiance of Tomorrow: A Novel

From the author of A *Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier* comes a haunting new novel. With the gentle lyricism of a dream and the moral clarity of a fable, *Radiance of Tomorrow* is a powerful novel about preserving what means the most to us, even in uncertain times. It is an affecting, tender parable about postwar life in Sierra Leone.

## Tuesday, January 28th...Dan Stashower...The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln Before the Civil War

"This account of the little-known-Baltimore-based plot to assassinate Lincoln before his March 4, 1861, inaugural hurtles across a landscape of conspirators, heroes and politicos in hotel suites, ladies' parlors and railway depots along Lincoln's train route from Springfield, Ill., to Washington...We can be grateful...that Old Abe survived the first attempt on his life." *New York Times* 

#### Thursday, January 30th... Clint Hill & Lisa McCubbin... Five Days in November

To mark the fiftieth anniversary of President John F. Kennedy's assassination, Secret Service Agent Clint Hill (author of *Mrs. Kennedy and Me*) recounts his indelible memories of those five days leading up to and following that tragic day in November 1963.

#### Monday, February 3rd...Anna Quindlen...Still Life with Bread Crumbs

This is a ticketed event with individuals admitted for \$28 (the price of the book + tax), couples \$38. Tickets will go on sale in January at www.acappellabooks.com. (Event will be in the Carter Center's Cecil B. Day Chapel)

Brilliantly written, powerfully observed, *Still Life with Bread Crumbs* is a deeply moving and often very funny story of unexpected love, and a stunningly crafted journey into the life of a woman, her heart, her mind, her days, as she discovers that life is a story with many levels, a story that is longer and more exciting than she ever imagined.

# Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>...David Beasley... Without Mercy: The Stunning True Story of Race, Crime, and Corruption in the Deep South

On December 9, 1938, six black men were executed within 81 minutes in Georgia's new Tattnall Prison. A seventh man, white, was pardoned by Governor E.D. Rivers. Race seemingly played a major role in who lived and who died. David Beasley, co-author of Inside Coca-Cola and former editor for the Atlanta Journal Constitution, effectively juxtaposes the lives of the black men who were executed with white men who were not, following their passage through the judicial system. Beasley's well-documented and vivid account ultimately puts capital punishment itself on trial.

Wednesday, February 12th ... Alvin Townley... Defiant: The POWs Who Endured Vietnam's Most Infamous Prison, the Women Who Fought for Them, and the One Who Never Returned "These heroic men and women remind us how courage, devotion, and faith can triumph even in the darkest of times. In Defiant, Alvin Townley masterfully tells the inspirational and unforgettable story of our Vietnam POWs and the Alcatraz Eleven." - President Jimmy Carter

## Thursday, February 20th ... Adam Goudsouzian... Down to the Crossroads: Civil Rights, Black Power, and the Meredith March Against Fear

"In *Down to the Crossroads*, Aram Goudsouzian re-creates the last great march of the civil rights movement in vibrant and intimate detail....This book is a must-read for anyone curious about the sixties and about the roots of the political movement that elected Barack Obama president." - Henry Louis Gates, Jr., Harvard

Thursday, February 27th...Dr. Louis W. Sullivan...Breaking Ground: My Life in Medicine In Breaking Ground, Sullivan recounts his extraordinary life beginning with his childhood in Jim Crow south Georgia and continuing through his trailblazing endeavors training to become a physician in an almost entirely white environment in the Northeast, founding and then leading the Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, and serving as secretary of Health and Human Services in President George H. W. Bush's administration. Throughout this extraordinary life Sullivan has passionately championed both improved health care and increased access to medical professions for the poor and people of color.

# Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>....Dave Barry.... Author of "You Can Date Boys When You're Forty: Dave Barry on Parenting and Other Topics He Knows Very Little About." This event will be held in the Carter Center Day Chapel.

The Carter Library, Georgia Center for the Book and Eagle Eye Books welcome Dave Barry to the Carter Library. In uproarious, brand-new pieces, Dave Barry tackles everything from family trips, bat mitzvah parties and dating (he's serious about that title: "When my daughter can legally commence dating-February 24, 2040-I intend to monitor her closely, even if I am deceased") to funeral instructions ("I would like my eulogy to be given by William Shatner"), the differences between male and female friendships, the deeper meaning of Fifty Shades of Grey, and a father's ultimate sacrifice: accompanying his daughter to a Justin Bieber concert ("It turns out that the noise teenage girls make to express happiness is the same noise they would make if their feet were being gnawed off by badgers").

## Tuesday, April 8th...Kristie Macrakis...Prisoners, Lovers & Spies: The Story of Invisible Ink from Herodotus to al-Qaeda

*Prisoners, Lovers, and Spies* is a book about concealing and revealing secret communications. It is the first history of invisible writing, uncovered through stories about scoundrels and heroes. Spies were imprisoned or murdered, adultery unmasked, and battles lost because of faulty or intercepted secret communications. Yet, successfully hidden writing helped save lives, win battles, and ensure privacy; occasionally it even changed the course of history. Kristie Macrakis combines a storyteller's sense of drama with a historian's respect for evidence in this pageturning history of intrigue and espionage, love and war, magic and secrecy.

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